Statement

Expenditure by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research on oilseeds research

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Total	Oilseeds
1984-85	142·80	1·714
1985-86	151·38	1·736
1986-87	168·84	2·126
TOTAL :	463·02	5·576

NOTE: In addition a number of Institute like Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi; Central Research Institute on Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad; Central Institute for Agricultural Engineering, Bhopal; and State Agricultural Universities, are incurring expenditure on research on different crops which includes oilseeds also. As such, it is difficult to apportion the total expenditure on oilseeds.

New Project for sponge iron

1477. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are huge deposits of iron ore in the districts of Chandrapur and Gadchiroli in Maharashtra;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government consideration to grant licence for setting up of new project of sponge iron;

(c) how many applications in this regard have been received so far; and

(d) the decision taken by Government with particulars of the applications accepted for setting up of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) The total estimated reserves of iron ore are 24 million tonnes in Chandrapur District and 116 million tonnes in Gadchiroli District of Maharashtra.

(b) Sponge Iron Industry has been delicensed from March '86. Only such companies as come within the purview of MRTP Act are required to obtain an Industrial Licence. No application from any unit in Maharashtra for grant of Industrial Licence is pending.

(c) and (d) One such application for grant of an industrial licence has been received and a Letter of Intent has already been issued in this case.

National Commission on urbanisation

1478. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Commission on Urbanisation has submitted any report; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. An interim report has been received in January, 1987.

(b) The report, besides giving an overview of urbanisation, deals with some of the legal constraints on urban development, such as the ceiling on urban land holdings and rent control acts and proposes accelerated development and growth of nerve centres, besides reiterating possibilities of strengthening and revitalising the national cities.

Allocations of edible oils etc. to the States

1479. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantity of palmolein oil allocation requested by Government of Maharashtra in the festival season of August-October, 1987;

(b) what is the response of Government of India; and

(c) what is the quota of Rice, Sugar and Edible oils requested by different States for coming festival season and the response of Government of India thereto?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Government of Maharashtra have requested allocation of 20,000 MTs. of imported edible oils for the festival season between August-October, 1987.

(b) The allocation of imported edible oils is made on a month to month basis. For the month of August the allocation for Maharashtra is 14,000 MTs. for PDS and 6500 MTs. for Small Packs (Total 20,500 MTs).

(c) Some States have requested for additional allocations of rice, sugar and edible oils for the coming festival season. These additional allocations are made keeping in view of the availability of stocks of the commodities and their requirements during the lean and festival seasons.

Schemes under special grant for development of Bombay

1480. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra have submitted details of the schemes for utilisation of Rs. 100 crore given as a special grant to Bombay;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have accepted these schemes;

(d) what is the total amount paid so far; and

(e) the number of phases Government propose to give the grant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State Government have proposed to take up three broad categories of schemes viz.

	(Rs. Crores)
(i) Slum upgradation schemes	— 22
(ii) Dharavi Development	— 37
(iii) *Urban Renewal and* Reconstruction in Bombay	— 41
Total	100

These proposals are being finalised in consultation with the State Government.

(d) Rs. 10.00 Crores have already been released to the State Government, as 'ways and means' advance.

(e) The grant would be released during the remaining period of the 7th Plan depending upon the pace of Implementation of the schemes.

Pricing of DDA flats

1481. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA has been increasing the prices of LIG|MIG flats every time on the plea of rise in prices of building material etc.;

(b) whether the wooden doors, windows and other material used in the construction of DDA flats in trans-Yanuma area were transported from Jammu and Kashmir, if so, what is the extent of increase in prices due to the contract entered with the contractor in Jammu and Kashmir; and